

**REMARKS**

Entry of this Amendment prior to examination is respectfully requested.

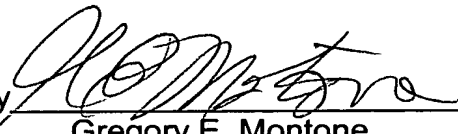
By the present Amendment, claims 16-31 have been canceled without prejudice to the Applicants' right to file a Divisional application directed to the canceled claims at a future date.

If the Examiner believes that there are any other points which may be clarified or otherwise disposed of, either by telephone discussion or by personal interview, the Examiner is invited to contact applicants' undersigned attorney at the number indicated below.

Kindly charge any shortage in the fees or credit any overpayment of fees in connection with the filing of this paper, to the deposit account of Antonelli, Terry, Stout & Kraus, LLP Deposit Account No. 01-2135 (Docket No. 501.43896X00).

Respectfully submitted,

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